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TITLES OF PREFECTS & MAYORS
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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
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23 March 1944

SUBJECT: podesta - change of title
TO : HQ, Region IV

1. Reference your letter RM/091.112 of 15th March, I concur in your proposed arrangement.
2. The new title is being adopted on a uniform basis throughout Italy and the restored territory.

R. G. B. Spicer
 for R. G. B. SPICER
 Lt Colonel
 Director
 Interior sub-Commission

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HEADQUARTERS REGION 4
Allied Military Government
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TO : HQ. ACC (RC & MG Section)
for Interior Sub-Commission

FROM : HQ. Region 4 AMG

SUBJECT: Podestà - Change of Title

REF : R4/091.112

DATE : 18 March 1944

1. No new title for the former office of Podestà has been issued and in some areas the title Sindaco is used and in others, "Commissario".

2. So far as Region 4 is concerned it is proposed to instruct all Provincial Commissioners to use the title Sindaco.

3. I shall be glad to receive your concurrence in this proposal.

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Robert P. Marshall Col. F.A.
for Regional Commissioner
Region 4 AMG

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W. Col. Robertson, PC, Salomon
Islands, stated that the Prefect
has sent out instructions to all
wards to call themselves Birdace.

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R.R. Temple
Capt.
Int. Sub. Com.

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1 March 1944

SUBJECT: Title of Mayors

TO : His Excellency, Dott. Roale, Minister of Interior, Italian Govern-
ment

Your Excellency:

1. I acknowledge receipt, and thank you for, your letter of
21 February 1944.

2. It is observed that, pending the publication of the proposed
decree, instructions will be given to prefects for Mayors to be called
"sindaci", and the head of the provincial administration, "presidente".



R. U. B. SPICER
Lt. Colonel
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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1 March 1944

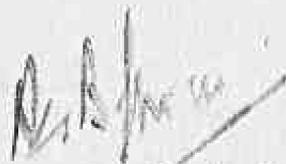
SUBJECT: Titles of Mayors and Presidents

TO : Vice President, Administrative Section

1. This sub-Commission has been in touch with the Minister of Interior of the Italian Government regarding the different titles which have been used in Regions I and II for Mayors of communes and Presidents of provincial administration.

2. The Italian Government have now notified Prefects in unoccupied Italy that in the future, a Mayor of a commune will be called Sindaco, and the head of the provincial administration, Presidente. (This latter title refers to the president of the Deputazione Provinciale and not to the Prefect)

3. It is requested that the Executive Commissioner be informed of this arrangement and that the VOs of Regions III, IV, and V, and also the SCAGs of 5th and 8th Army groups be notified with a view to the uniform adoption of such titles in their respective areas.



F. C. B. SPICKER
Lt Colonel
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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TO	
Lt. Col. SPICER	
Maj. McWENNEY	
Capt. TEMPLE	
Lt LEWIS	
Lt. SHANKS	

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To Please see H of I. with
what class of officials actually
is meant with last line?

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Expression "President" refers
to the known members of the
Board of Directors and also to the
President of the Board of Directors
who was later, possibly
the President of the Board of Directors.

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- 1. Def attached.
 - 2. Espousa - Presidente refers to the person who presides over the provincial authority - e.g. *Deputado provincial*. During Fascism when mayors were rechristened *Sindaco* the provincial president's title was changed to *Presidente de provincia*. The new title of "Presidente" allowed the pro-Fascist name.
- It does not refer to the Prefect

- ① Good. ~~Author~~ Acknowledges rec. etc.
- Thanks E+6 - For kind thought
- ② Copy to E+6 - Acknowledges from [unclear]
- for info of [unclear] - 29/2/44
- 1 Feb 1944

Salerno Feb. 21, 1944

Minister of Interior

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Subject: names to be given to administrators
of local offices.

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~~Referring to~~ by reference to your letter
of Feb. 17, 1944, we notify that, up to
the time of publication of the provisions
for the temporary reform of the
cities and provincials' administrators,
orders will be given to the Prefects
to have the administrators of the
communities called "Sindaco"
and those of the provinces "Procuratore".

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~~Referring~~ to ~~the~~ reference to your letter of Feb. 19, 1944, we notify that, up to the time of the publication of the provisions for the temporary reform of the cities and provincial administrators, orders will be given to the Prefects to have the administrators of the communities called "Sindaco" and those of the provinces "Provincia".

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The minister



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Ministero dell'Interno

Salerno, li 21 febbraio 1944

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Risposta alla lettera

NACC/42/Indet del IS corr.

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OGGETTO

Qualifica amministratori
Enti locali.-

L. T. Colonel

R. G. B. SPICER

Acting Director

Interior Sub Commission

Allied Control Commission

S. L. E. R. N. O.

In relazione al quesito proposto con la nota sopra_
distinte, si comunica che, in attesa della emanazione del prov_
vedimento in corso per la riforma temporanea degli organi dei
comuni e delle province, saranno date disposizioni ai Prefetti
perchè agli amministratori dei comuni sia attribuita la quali_
fica di sindaco e a quelli delle province la qualifica di pre_
sidente.-

IL MINISTRO

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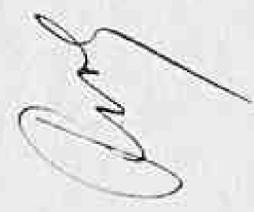
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Acting Director
Interior Sub Commission
Allied Control Commission

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OGGETTO
Qualifica amministratori
Enti locali.-

In relazione al quesito proposto con la nota sopra_ distinta, si comunica che, in attesa della emanazione del prov_ vedimento in corso per la riforma temporanea degli organi dei comuni e delle province, saranno date disposizioni ai Prefetti perchè agli amministratori dei comuni sia attribuita la qualifica di sindaco e a quelli delle province la qualifica di presidente.-

IL MINISTRO



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REAR HEADQUARTERS
ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
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17 February 1944

SUBJECT: Nomenclature of Civic Heads

TO : Lt Col R. G. B. Spicer

1. It is necessary for agreement to be arrived at with the Italian Government upon the titles to be used by Prefects and Mayors

- (i) throughout restored areas
- (ii) for use in Region III
- (iii) for use in Region IV and later V and future regions

2. Titles used during Fascism and those directed or suggested since Allied occupation, are as follows:

<u>During Fascism</u>	<u>During AMG</u>
(i) Province - Prefetto	Prefect <i>de Regno</i> Prefetto de Regna Prefetto di Regente
(ii) Comune - Podesta	Sindaco (pre-Fascist title) Commissario Prefetizio " Straordinario

3. Principles involved appear to be:

- (i) Uniformity on agreed plan for immediate enforcement where possible or ~~actual~~ ^{adoption}
- (ii) In restored areas titles adopted indicating some state of stability., e.g., Sindaco instead of the temporary "Straordinario"
- (iii) That as far as Prefects are concerned, a title be used which will not impair public confidence in the office. (The title Prefetto has a traditional significance for the masses and provided the holder of the office conforms to Armistice policy re Fascism, etc., ACC should assist towards the maintenance of his authority).

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INTERIOR SUB COMMISSION
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File: ACC/42/Int

19 February 1944

SUBJECT: Nomenclature of Mayors

TO : His Excellency, the Minister of Interior

Your Excellency:

Arising out of the recent discussion we had on the subject of local government, your assistance in connection with the following matter will be appreciated:

1. It has been observed that in different areas, Mayors have signed and styled themselves by various titles, viz: Sindaco (in place of the Fascist creation of "Podesta" now abolished), Commissario Prefetizio, or Commissario Straordinario.
2. It is appreciated that some of these titles have been used for various reasons connected with the war, and that certain of them have a particular significance under Italian law.
3. It will be helpful, therefore, if your Excellency will kindly intimate your Government's views in the matter, which will assist us considerably in arriving at a uniform policy.

R. G. B. Spicer

R. G. B. SPICER **130**
Lt Colonel
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

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11 February 1944

ADMINISTRATIVE INSTRUCTION

TO: AC Region 1, 2, and 6

TITLE OF INSTRUMENT

1. It has been decided that all Prefects who have been or may be appointed by Allied Military Government will style and sign themselves "Il Prefetto".

2. No other alternatives, e.g. "Reggente di Prefettura", will be used.

By order of the Rt. Hon. The Viscount STANSFORD,
Vice President, Administrative Section:

P. G. B. Spicer

P. G. B. SPICER
Lt Colonel
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

Copies: AC and MC Section for Regions 3, 4, 5, 5th and 8th Armies, please, for adoption should you agree.

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File: ACC/42/Int

10 February 1944

TO : Dr. Innocenti
Chief of Cabinet
Council of Ministers

Your Excellency:

Referring to our recent conversation, I have to inform you that your request for the use of the title "Reggente di Prefettura" by Prefects appointed by the Allied Military Government in place of the title "Il Prefetto", has been carefully considered, but that authority for the proposed alteration cannot be given.

By Order of the Rt. Hon. The Viscount STANSFORD
Vice President, Administrative Section



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Lt Colonel
Acting Director
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ALLIED CONTROL COMMISSION
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9 February 1944

SUBJECT : Title of Prefects

TO : Vice President, Administrative Section

1. At a recent meeting with Dr. Innocenti, Chief of Staff to Marshal Badoglio, he requested me to put forward a point on his behalf, viz: that Prefects appointed by AMG should be instructed to style themselves "Reggente di Prefettura".

2. While I agree such Prefects should not sign themselves "Prefetto del Regno", I am certain, and with this the HCAO Region I agrees, that to depart from the signature and title of "Il Prefetto", as now practiced in AMG appointments, would be a mistake. It would possibly be misunderstood by the public, and would rob the position of its dignity and power, which is now recognized.

3. I recommend that Dr. Innocenti should be informed that the request, having been given due consideration, cannot be authorized, and that this sub-Commission be authorized to issue an Administrative Instruction to the effect that all Prefects should style and sign themselves "Il Prefetto".

R. G. B. SPICER
Lt Colonel **127**
Acting Director
Interior Sub-Commission

W. G. Spicer

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